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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Enders-Salk is excited to inform you that each student will be participating in Battle of the Books this year. Please refer to the frequently asked question below to fill you in on the details. If you still have any questions, feel free to contact the Learning Center staff or me at any time.

What Is "Battle of the Books?"

Battle of the Books is a reading incentive program for students. The purpose is simply to encourage students to read great books and have fun while competing with peers.

How Does A Student Participate?

Each student is placed on a team in their classroom. The team then divides up the books on their list and each student is responsible for reading that book, and sharing their findings with the other team members. Students may count "books" they have read before. However, they can not count books that they have only seen on a video or a movie. They must read the book. They should keep a summary so they can review this information before their "Battle." Students will be divided up into teams in the next week or two. Feel free to read as many books as you would like with your child, but each participant is only responsible for reading the books the team decides.

Where Do The Students Get The Books?

The Enders-Salk library has many copies of each of these books for students and staff members to check-out. The Schaumburg Library has a copy of the book lists as well.

When Do The Students Read The Books?

START NOW! The school battles will not be held until April. Therefore, students will have plenty of time to read the books during the school year.

What Is The "Battle?"

The students have the opportunity to be involved in 3 battles. During each battle, the student will be with their assigned team and answering questions together as a team using a game show device called Quizworks. The answers are always the title of the book, and extra points are earned for knowing the author. The winners of each battle will advance to the next battle.

When Are The Battles?

Classroom battles will be the week of April 9th-13th during LRC with Mrs. Montalbano. Grade level battles will be the week of April 23rd-27th. The final battles will be whole school assemblies the week of May 21st-25th. Detailed schedules will be sent home in March.



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Estimados padres/guardianes,

Enders-Salk se encuentra muy animado en informarle que cada estudiante estará participando este año en la Batalla de los Libros (Battle of the Books). Por favor refiérase a las preguntas frecuentes de abajo para completar y tener de esta manera los detalles. Si tiene alguna pregunta, siéntase en la libertad de comunicarse con cualquier personal del centro de aprendizaje en cualquier momento.

“¿Qué es "La Batalla de los Libros?"

La batalla de los libros es un programa de incentivo de lectura para los estudiantes. El propósito es simplemente animar a los estudiantes a leer grandes libros y divertirse con sus compañeros de clases.

¿Cómo participa un estudiante?

Cada estudiante es colocado en un equipo en su salón de clase. El equipo divide entre ellos los libros en sus listas y cada estudiante es responsable de leer ese libro, y compartir lo que aprende con los otros miembros del equipo. Los estudiantes pueden contar "libros" que ellos han leído anteriormente. Sin embargo, ellos no pueden contar libros que solamente han visto en un video o en el cine. Ellos deben de leer el libro. Deberán llevar un resumen para que puedan revisar esta información antes de su "Batalla." Los estudiantes se dividirán en equipos en las próximas dos semanas. Siéntase en la libertad de leer muchos libros como desea con su hijo/a, pero cada participante es responsable de leer los libros que su equipo decide.

¿De dónde proceden los libros para los estudiantes?

La biblioteca de Enders-Salk tiene muchas copias de estos libros para los estudiantes y el personal para que sean sacados por ellos. La biblioteca de Schaumburg tiene una copia de la lista de los libros también.

¿Cuándo los estudiantes pueden leer estos libros?

EMPIEZA AHORA. Las batallas de los libros se llevarán a cabo hasta en abril. Por lo tanto, los estudiantes tendrán suficiente tiempo para leer durante el año escolar.

¿De qué se trata esta "Batalla?"

Los estudiantes tienen la oportunidad de participar en 3 batallas. Durante cada batalla, el estudiante se mantendrá con su equipo asignado contestando las preguntas unidos como equipo usando un instrumento de juego llamado Quizworks. Las respuestas son siempre el título del libro, y se ganan puntos extras al saber el autor. El ganador de cada batalla avanzará hacia la próxima batalla.

¿Cuándo se realizan las batallas?

Las batallas de las aulas de clases serán la semana del 9 al 13 de abril durante la clase de LRC con la Sra.Montalbano.

Las batallas a nivel de grado serán la semana del 23 al 27 de abril. La batalla final será durante una asamblea escolar la semana del 21 al 25 de mayo. Los horarios detallados llegarán a casa en el mes de marzo.

Battle of the Books 11-12

Kindergarten List:



The quiet book- Deborah Underwood RL 1.8 Lexile NA

From the quiet of being the first one awake in the morning to "sweet dreams quiet" when the last light is turned off, simple text explores the many kinds of quiet that can exist during the day.



Maybe a bear ate it! - Robie H. Harris RL 1.5 Lexile NA

At bedtime, a young boy who cannot find his favorite book imagines the various creatures that might have taken it from him.



April and Esme, tooth fairies - Bob Graham RL 1.7 Lexile AD 740L

On their first assignment, two young tooth fairy sisters journey by night into the huge world of humans to collect Daniel Dangerfield's tooth and fly it safely home.



Dog loves books - Louise Yates RL 1.9 Lexile AD 450L

Dog loves books so much that he decides to open a book store.



Lousy rotten stinkin' grapes - Margie Palatini RL 2.0 Lexile AD 340L

Retells the fable of a frustrated fox that, after many tries to reach a high bunch of grapes, decides they must be sour anyway.



Goose and Duck - Jean Craighead George RL 2.1 Lexile 370L

A young boy becomes the "mother" to a goose, who becomes "mother" to a duck, as they learn about the rhythms of nature together.

First/Second Multiage List:



Those darn squirrels! - Adam Rubin RL 3.0 Lexile AD 680L

When grumpy Old Man Fookwire builds feeders to try to keep birds--the only creatures he likes--from leaving for the winter, he finds himself in a battle with clever, crafty squirrels who want a share of the abundant food.



Flora's very windy day - Jeanne Birdsall RL 2.9 Lexile AD 590L

When a big wind blows her annoying little brother away, Flora decides to save him despite the many tempting offers she gets for him from, among others, a cloud, an eagle, the man in the moon, and the wind itself.



Ling & Ting : not exactly the same! - Grace Lin RL 1.4 Lexile 390L

Ling and Ting are identical twins that people think are exactly the same, but time and again they prove to be different.



A birthday for Bear – Bonny Becker RL 2.8 Lexile 520L

Despite Bear's efforts to ignore his birthday, Mouse will not rest until his friend celebrates.



Little Rat makes music – Monika Bang-Campbell RL 2.8 Lexile 520L

Little Rat loves the violin but hates to practice, until her teacher suggests she perform a duet with one of the advanced students at the holiday concert.



Goodbye to Goldie - Fran Manushkin RL 2.1 Lexile 390L

Katie Woo learns different ways to cope with the death of her dog.



Henry and Mudge and the great grandpas - Cynthia Rylant RL 2.3 Lexile 460L

When Henry and his dog Mudge go with Henry's parents to visit Great-Grandpa Bill in the home with lots of other grandpas, they lead them all on a wonderful adventure.



Big Pig and Little Pig - David McPhail RL 1.0 Lexile NA

On a hot day, Big Pig and Little Pig both make pools for cooling off.

Third, 3/4, & Fourth Grade List:



Spaceheadz - Jon Scieszka RL 4.2 Lexile 580L

Michael moves to a new school and learns that some of his friends are really aliens who have come to Earth in order to convince millions of kids to be Space Heads.



Word after word after word - Patricia MacLachlan RL 3.5 Lexile 450L

A visiting poet, Ms. Mirabel, teaches five friends in grade school about the power of words and writing.



The world according to Humphrey - Betty G. Birney RL 4.2 Lexile 670L

Humphrey, pet hamster at Longfellow School, learns that he has an important role to play in helping his classmates and teacher.



Gator on the loose! - Sue Stauffacher RL 4.7 Lexile 740L

Chaos ensues when Keisha's father brings an escaped alligator home to Carter's Urban Rescue, but it gets out of the bathroom while Grandma is guarding it.



Calvin Coconut : trouble magnet - Graham Salisbury RL 3.3 Lexile 410L

Nine-year-old Calvin catches the attention of the school bully on the day before he starts fourth grade, while at home, the unfriendly, fifteen-year-old daughter of his mother's best friend has taken over his room.



Zinc Alloy : super zero - Donald Lemke RL 2.6 Lexile GN 380L

When Zack Allen builds a high-tech robot suit, he uses it to become Zinc Alley, the world's newest superhero.



Louise the big cheese : divine diva - Elise Primavera RL 4.4 Lexile AD650L

When she learns her class will be doing a play, little Louise Cheese has big dreams of being the star, but when her best friend is given the lead she learns that even the small roles count.



The quest for Aztec gold : Mexico (A Secret Agent Jack Stalwart Book) - Elizabeth Singer Hunt RL 4.5 Lexile NA

Secret agent Jack Stalwart travels to Mexico to recover a stolen map that reveals where to find hidden Aztec gold, but Callous Carl and his thieves step in to make things more difficult.



Stink : the incredible shrinking kid - Megan McDonald RL 2.8 Lexile 480L

The shortest kid in the second grade, James Moody, also known as Stink, learns all about the shortest president of the United States, James Madison, when they celebrate Presidents' Day at school.



Ruby Lu, empress of everything - Lenore Look RL 3.8 Lexile 560L

After Ruby Lu's deaf cousin, Flying Duck, and her parents come from China to live with her, Ruby finds life challenging as she adjusts to her new family, tries to mend her rocky relationship with her friend Emma, and faces various adventures in summer school.



Free baseball - Sue Corbett RL 4.3 Lexile 800L

Eleven-year-old Felix becomes a bat boy for a minor league baseball team, hoping to someday be like his father, a famous Cuban outfielder.



Frankie Pickle and the closet of doom - Eric Wight RL 3.5 Lexile 530L

Fourth-grader Frankie Piccolini has a vivid imagination when it comes to cleaning his disastrously messy room, but eventually even he decides that it is just too dirty.

Fifth, 5/6, & Sixth Grade List:



Bone. 1, Out from Boneville – Jeff Smith RL 2.3 Lexile NC360L

Fone Bone, Phoney Bone, and Smiley Bone are run out of their home, Boneville, and become separated in the wilds, but better fortune begins when the three cousins reunite at a farmstead in a deep forested valley, where Fone meets a young girl named Thorn.



The maze of bones, 39 Clues Series #1 - Rick Riordan RL 4.5 Lexile 610L

Amy and Dan, members of the powerful Cahill family, try to uncover the thirty-nine clues which will reveal the secrets of their lineage and find out what really happened to their parents.



The thing about Georgie - Lisa Graff RL 4.3 Lexile 770L

Georgie's dwarfism causes problems, but he could always rely on his parents, his best friend, and classmate Jeanie the Meanie's teasing, until a surprising announcement, a new boy in school, and a class project shake things up.



The city of Ember - Jeanne DuPrau RL 5.0 Lexile 640L

Ember, built as a last refuge for the human race, is running out of power two hundred years later, but twelve-year-old Lina thinks there may yet be hope when she finds part of an ancient message that may hold a key to getting out of the city.



Shakespeare's secret - Elise Broach RL 6.1 Lexile 620L

Named after a character in a Shakespeare play, misfit sixth-grader Hero becomes interested in exploring this unusual connection because of a valuable diamond supposedly hidden in her new house, an intriguing neighbor, and the unexpected attention of the most popular boy in school.



Flipped - Wendelin Van Draanen RL 5.9 Lexile 720L

In alternating chapters, two teenagers describe how their feelings about themselves, each other, and their families have changed over the years.



Ella enchanted - Gail Carson Levine RL 4.2 Lexile 670L

In this novel based on the story of Cinderella, Ella struggles against the childhood curse that forces her to obey any order given to her.



Tiger (Five Ancestors bk 1) - Jeff Stone RL 5.5 Lexile 800L

Five young warrior-monk brothers survive an insurrection and must use the ancient arts to avenge their Grandmaster.



Joey Pigza swallowed the key - Jack Gantos RL 5.1 Lexile 970

To the constant disappointment of his mother and his teachers, Joey has trouble paying attention or controlling his mood swings when his prescription meds wear off and he starts getting worked up and acting wired.



Found (Missing bk 1)- Margaret Peterson Haddix RL 5.0 Lexile 750L

When thirteen-year-olds Jonah and Chip, who are both adopted, learn they were discovered on a plane that appeared out of nowhere, full of babies with no adults on board, they realize that they have uncovered a mystery involving time travel and two opposing forces, each trying to repair the fabric of time.



A tale dark & Grimm - Adam Gidwitz RL 4.6 Lexile 690L

Follows Hansel and Gretel as they walk out of their own story and into eight more tales, encountering such wicked creatures as witches, along with kindly strangers and other helpful folk. Based in part on the Grimms' fairy tales Faithful Johannes, Hansel and Gretel, The seven ravens, Brother and sister, The robber bridegroom, and The devil and his three golden hairs.



The birthday ball - Lois Lowry RL 6.9 Lexile 870L

When a bored Princess Patricia Priscilla makes her chambermaid switch identities with her so she can attend the village school, her attitude changes and she plans a new way to celebrate her sixteenth birthday.



Swindle - Gordon Korman RL 4.9 Lexile 710L

After unscrupulous collector S. Wendell Palomino cons him out of a valuable baseball card, sixth-grader Griffin Bing puts together a band of misfits to break into Palomino's heavily guarded store and steal the card back, planning to use the money to finance his father's failing invention, the Smart Pick fruit picker.



Heir to the empire - Timothy Zahn RL AD Lexile NA

The last of the Emperor's warlords has made two vital discoveries that could destroy the fragile new Republic.



Holes - Louis Sachar RL 5.1 Lexile 660L

As further evidence of his family's bad fortune which they attribute to a curse on a distant relative, Stanley Yelnats is sent to a hellish correctional camp in the Texas desert where he finds his first real friend, a treasure, and a new sense of himself.



The lemonade war - Jacqueline Davies RL 4.1 Lexile 630L

Evan and his younger sister, Jesse, react very differently to the news that they will be in the same class for fourth grade and as the end of summer approaches, they battle it out through lemonade stands, each trying to be the first to earn 100 dollars. Includes mathematical calculations and tips for running a successful lemonade stand.



Cosmic – Frank Cottrell Boyce RL 4.9 Lexile 670L

Twelve-year-old Liam, who looks like he is thirty and is tired of being treated like he is older than he actually is, decides he is going to pose as the adult chaperone on the first spaceship to take civilians into space, but when he ends up in outer space with a group of kids and no adult supervision, he must think fast to make things right



Guys read : funny business – edited and with an introduction by Jon Scieszka RL 6.3 Lexile 840L

A collection of humorous stories featuring a teenaged mummy, a homicidal turkey, and the world's largest pool of chocolate milk.



Theodosia and the serpents of chaos - R.L. LaFevers RL 5.2 Lexile NA

Eleven-year-old Theodosia has the ability to detect black magic and ancient curses that are attached to objects in the Museum of Legends and Antiquities, which her father is the curator of, and discovers that a new artifact from Egypt is cursed and she must return it to the tomb it was excavated from before it destroys the British Empire.



The familiars - Adam Jay Epstein RL 5.0 Lexile 920L

Three young wizards-in-training are kidnapped by an evil queen and their familiars-- Aldwyn the alley cat, Skylar, a know-it-all blue jay, and Gilbert a tree frog who can see the future--set out on a dangerous journey to rescue the boys.